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## **2005 JOINT TASK FORCE - ARMED FORCES INAUGURAL COMMITTEE**

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### **ARMED FORCES INAUGURAL COMMITTEE HOLDS SENIOR LEADERSHIP PRESS BRIEFING**

WASHINGTON -- U.S. Air Force Brigadier General Duane Lodrige, Deputy Commander of the Joint Task Force - Armed Forces Inaugural Committee (JTF-AFIC), will be available for a press briefing and question-answer session regarding military ceremonial support to the 55<sup>th</sup> Presidential Inaugural at 8:30 a.m. on Dec. 16 at the DC Armory, located at 2400 East Capitol Street SE in Washington, D.C. All media are invited and photo opportunities will be available.

Immediately after the press briefing, JTF-AFIC will conduct a behind-the-scenes opportunity to demonstrate how ceremonial events will unfold on Inauguration Day. JTF-AFIC members will track the day's movements using an almost life-size map of the parade route and inaugural activities, providing ample visual opportunities.

More than 5,000 service members will participate, from marching bands and ceremonial units to honor cordons and military assistants. This symposium provides an up-close look at the many moving parts required to ensure a smooth inaugural event.

Media wishing to attend should contact the JTF-AFIC Public Affairs at (202) 358-5351. Information is also available on the Internet at <http://www.afic.army.mil>.